## **REMARKS**

This responds to the Office Action dated June 18, 2012. Claims 1, 4-28 and 32 are pending. A copy of the claims indicating the present status of each is included for the convenience of the Examiner. The copy of the claims attached hereto includes markings to show all of the amendments previously submitted with Applicant's Amendment dated November 23, 2011, as the Examiner previously requested.

Claims 22-28 and 32 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §251 as allegedly being broader than the originally issued claims. Applicant respectfully disagrees.

Applicant respectfully submits that claim 22 is narrower than claim 1 in that it requires a "riser assembly" that is not required by claim 1 as issued.

The Examiner indicates that a "catch-up" declaration stating that no deceptive intent for all amendments is necessary. Applicant notes that the declaration submitted on May 13, 2002 included this statement at paragraph 7 thereof.

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1, 4-28 and 32 are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY THROUGH THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE EFS FILING SYSTEM ON December 18, 2012.

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